



Regional Service Council Minutes Region # 17

Meeting Date: November 20, 2015

Meeting Location: Memorial Hospital Southside Office

Council Members Present: Amy Tempel, Jessica Richardson, Ashley Manship, Melissa Lueken, Nancy Rennie, Kim Donnelly, Stephanie Helton, Kathy Anderson, Dale Stroud, and Mendy Berry.

Council Members Absent: Judge Lynn Ellis

Others In Attendance: Jonda Bowers and Mike Singleton

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Called to Order at: 8:34am

Programs/Committee Report:

Minutes from the September 18, 2015 Meeting were emailed to all members of the board. Nancy Renne made a motion to accept the minutes as distributed. Amy Tempel 2nd the motion. Minutes from the September 2015 approved as distributed

Roll Call was done and Introduction of new members made. Everyone was informed that Dale Stroud is the new DCS Director in Crawford and Orange County.

Community Partners: Reported that 39 new referrals were made in October 2015. Out of the 39 new referrals, 31 were serviced. It was also reported that as of date Community Partners is running close to budget. A Big Thank you

went out to Community Partners for all of their help and a success story was told to members.

Regional Services Coordinator's Report: Mendy Berry reported that Biennial Planning Meetings took place and Thank everyone for attending the meetings and giving valuable information.

Regional Finance Manager : No report was given

Regional Foster Care Specialist: Foster Care Specialist Melissa Lueken reported that they are extremely busy licensing new Foster Homes and also relative placements. There have been lots of recruitment events that took place in the region. Melissa Winkler put together some raffle baskets and was able to make contact with people through that giving away of baskets to help recruit people. The annual Foster Parent Christmas Training will be coming up December 10, 2015 at Fellowship Church in Jasper. There will be training, crafts, appearances by Santa, Elsa, and Olaf. Spencer County is also having an adoption event at the Court House

Fatherhood Engagement Program: RSC group was informed that the program continues to grow. 52 referrals are currently open in the region. Success story was given.

Next Meeting Date, Location and Time: January 15, 2016 at 8:30am at Memorial Hospital Southside Office

Meeting adjourned at: 9:04am